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Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1515

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Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 1711

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Hongkong, December 18, 1895. 228

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" " " " 3 months 2%
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 16, 1895. 848

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Hongkong, February 15, 1896. 708

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Hongkong, February 19, 1896. 389

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SHAL, N'SAKI			
KOBE & YAMA, Shanghai	J. COWIE, R.N.	About 11th March.	
LONDON, &c.	Mirzapore	J. R. LONDON, R.N.	Noon, 12th March.
STRAITS & B'WAY, Brindisi	R. A. PETERS	About 12th March.	
JAPAN, &c.	Ancona	W. D. MOORE	Noon, 13th March.
LONDON, &c.	Bombay	R. J. SLEEMAN	About 20th March.

* See Special Advertisement.
† Calling at Colombo, if sufficient inducement offers.

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Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 404

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Hongkong, February 25, 1896. 438

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J. TATAM.
Hongkong, February 11, 1896. 330

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WATKINS & Co.,
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Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 60.

THE following Particulars and Con-
ditions of SALE OF CROWN LAND by
PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot,
on MONDAY, the 9th day of March,
1896, at 4 p.m., are published for general
information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1896. 475

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction, to be held on
Monday, the 9th day of March,
1896, at 4 p.m., by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Governor, of One Lot
of Crown Land, in the Colony of
Hongkong, for a term of 99 years.

Particulars of the Lot.									
No. of Registry	Locality.	Boundary Measure-ments.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.
1 No. 1,371	Inland	Lot	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions to Sell by Public Auction, on
TUESDAY,
the 10th March, 1896, at 2.30 p.m., at his
Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
(For Sanitary Accounts),
comprising:—
TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM
SUITE,
CANTON BLACKWOOD TABLE and STANDS,
MARBLE-TOP CENTRE and SIDE TABLES,
OVERMANTELS, PICTURE, CARPET and
RUGS,
GLASS BOOK-CASE with DESK, and WET-
TING TABLE,
EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SHOEBOARD,
DINING WAGGON, CROCKERY, GLASS and
FABRIC WARE,
DOUBLED BRASS BEDSTEAD, DOUBLED
SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS,
DOUBLED and SINGLE WARDROBES with
BEVELLED GLASS DOORS, DRESSING TABLE
and MARBLE-TOP WASHSTAND,
ONE JINNIKSHA,
&c., &c., &c.

AN ASSORTMENT OF
JAPANESE WARE,
comprising:—
VASES, JARS, PLATES, TEA SETS, EN-
AMELLED WARE, BRONZES and ORNAMENTS.
And
AN INVOICE OF
FRAMED OLEOGRAPHS.
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 601

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-
tions from H. M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER,
to Sell by Public Auction, on
WEDNESDAY,
the 11th day of March, 1896, at Noon,
at H.M. Naval Yard,—

SUNDRY
NAVAL and VICTUALLING
CONDEMNED STORES,
comprising:—
Old IRON, PAPER STUFF, RAGS, CANTAS,
CLOTHING, IMPLEMENTS,
&c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 602

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Twelfth Ordinary Annual MEET-
ING of SHAREHOLDERS of the
Company will be held at the Company's
Office, No. 9 Praya Central, Victoria, on
SATURDAY, the 21st March, at Twelve
o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
a Statement of Accounts and the Report of
the General Managers, for the year ending
31st December, 1895, declaring a Dividend,
and electing a Consulting Committee and
Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 21st
instant, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 19, 1896. 607

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS
are requested to send in a STATE-
MENT of BUSINESS CONTRIBUTION dur-
ing the Half Year ended 31st December
1895 on or before the 31st instant, on which
date the Accounts will be CLOSED.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. COOKE,
Acting General Manager.

Hongkong, March 2, 1896. 611

Intimations.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

TERM BEGINS SATURDAY, 7th Inst.,
at 9 A.M.

BOYS, Accompanied by PARENTS or
GUARDIANS, should present them-
selves in the Hall, at 9 A.M.

For Admission, FRIDAY, 6th.
For Re-Admission, THURSDAY, 5th.

GEO. H. BATESON WRIGHT, D.D.,
Head Master.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 496

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed
that at the General Meeting held in
London recently, a FINAL DIVIDEND
of 3% was declared on the Company's
PERFORMANCE SHARES for the 3rd Month
ending 31st December last, making 6% in
ALL.

A DIVIDEND of 6% per Annum was
also declared on the Company's ORDINARY
SHARES.

THE DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be
Ready on the 12th March.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company
are CLOSED from this date until the 12th
March, inclusive.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 503

REPORTER WANTED.

WANTED—REPORTER for Daily
Evening Paper; must be able to
take accurate SHORT-HAND NOTES, READ
PROOFS, and make himself generally useful
in OFFICE WORK.

Apply with References and stating Salary.
"W. Z."
c/o China Mail Office.

4th March, 1896. 500

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Adjustment of Bonus for the Year 1895.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above Office
are requested to Furnish the Under-
signed with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS
for the year ending 31st December, 1895,
in order that the DISTRIBUTION of
BONUS may be arranged. Returns not
rendered prior to the 31st day of March
INSTANT, will be adjusted by the Office,
and no Claims or Alterations will be subse-
quently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED,
Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 490

JUST LANDED.

FRESH SWISS MILK, @ \$2.50.
AUSTRIA, STEAKY BACON, @ 45c.
AUSTRIA, JOSEPH BRAND BUTTER, @ 62c.
5% DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

H. BUTTONEE,
13, D'ARQUILLA STREET.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 488

FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED.

Particulars to
"A. B. C."
China Mail Office.

Hongkong, February 10, 1896. 423

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifth
Ordinary Annual General MEETING
of the SHAREHOLDERS of the NA-
TIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
will be held at the Bank's PREMISES,
Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong,
on SATURDAY, the 7th day of March, at
Noon.

The Transfer BOOKS and REGISTER
of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 20th day of
February to 7th day of March, both days
inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 19, 1896. 607

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. COOKE,
Acting General Manager.

Hongkong, March 2, 1896. 611

During the stay of the Bayard at Tonkin, Admiral de Beaumont visited the Hongkong and Kowloon mines. Three hundred tons of Kowloon coal were sent on board the Bayard.

Yessan in the Docks.—At Kowloon—Kong Bong, Ohowa, Namoa, Princes Wilhelm, Empress of Japan, Iry, Comoropolis—On Sang, Martha, Aberdeen—Strathleven.

The U.S. cruiser *Boston* has arrived at Yokohama to join the squadron on the China Station. The gun vessel *Petrel* goes home as soon as she has been inspected at Nagasaki by Admiral McNeil, to have some of her heavier guns replaced by smaller weapons. —China Gazette.

Tonkin exchanges to hand contain details of several engagements between Chinese frebooters and the French regular and irregular troops. At Lucan-cha, on the 20th February, in a brush with pirates Commandant Bailly lost nine men killed. Lieutenant, Sub-Lieutenant, and four men were wounded. Inspector Burdick was killed in an engagement with pirates at which some 100 men were slain. The appointment of General Dudes, who distinguished himself at Dahomey, to the command of the troops in Indo-China was made with a view to carry out extensive offensive operations for the pacification of the country and the extermination of the piratical bands which make life in the neighbouring French colonies exciting, and, at times, unpleasant for people with weak nervous organisations.

At the Magistracy to-day two Chinamen were charged with obtaining a gold ring by false pretences from the proprietor of the steamer *Powan*. It was stated one of the men came from Canton on board the steamer. He did not have enough money to pay for his passage, and gave his umbrella in pledge to the proprietor. By some means he obtained another pledge ticket out of the book and filled in the gold ring as the article alleged to be pledged. An accomplice was sent to recover the articles, and this he was successful in doing. The two men were found guilty. The first prisoner was sent to prison for six months, and the accomplice for three months.

A CORRESPONDENT, over the signature of 'Clay State,' writing to the *Mining Journal* from Melbourne at the end of last year, takes a very hopeful view of Gold Mining in the Malay Peninsula. Replying to a previous correspondent, who described the companies carrying on work there as 'languid and dispirited,' 'Clay State' states that the companies known to him are 'very much alive,' and will be still more so directly, if indications count for anything. He then goes on to say:

In fact, when one considers what has been done in other countries, where, to my own knowledge, two mining companies have been big men of reef at Bendigo so as to connect with a reef they were interested in, situated in Southern India, it becomes child's play. But, unfortunately, there is no need for such subterfuge and evasions in the southern part of this Peninsula. If you draw a line from a point on the northern side of the main dividing range, say at Tana, and follow it right into Kilkent, you will be almost entirely in country of the most promising character for the production of gold. The width of the belt is not known, nor do I know the area of ground held by the East and West, or under the Malay Peninsula, or under the Penang Company, situated at that place, but when I tell you the Penang Company alone hold the right to mine and plant over an area of 100 square miles immediately on its track, you will see they have a property which, were it once taken in hand by some of your energetic, honest company promoters in England, the result would be a commotion in gold mining and gold production such as has seldom been known.

Let anyone doubting what I say go there and enquire into the history of the place; let him see the amount of gold in the form of jewellery in the possession of the natives, and when he is satisfied on this point, let him enquire as to the quantity of gold held to-day by the Sultans, Rajahs, and petty chiefs. And last, but not least, let him go down into the mines now at work and see the reefs being operated on, and the rocks enclosing them, and if all this does not satisfy him, let him examine the faces of mountains found associated with the gold.

If he will be satisfied with iron, copper, and arsenical pyrites, zinc, blende, antimony, and galena, he can see all in ample quantity. In country rocks he will find clay slates proper; and a whole family of slates, together with diorite and porphyry in abundance.

I am aware that critics will ask, and not without reason, why dividends have not been paid, to whom I can only say, the State of Pahang is new to Europeans, and until the last few years was without roads or bridges of any kind. The population was new to mining, and the whole faces of the country one dense mass of jungle. In short, when one looks at things generally, and considers the difficulties to be overcome, one almost wonders how so much has been accomplished.

The initial cost of opening up a mine under such circumstances could not be other than heavy.

The materials for H.M.S. *Centurion's* bilge keels having arrived from England, the vessel will probably be placed in dock soon for the purpose of having them placed in position.

The Ordo Musin Company gave their third concert in the City Hall last night, and will appear at Canton to-morrow. On Saturday night they will give another concert in the City Hall prior to leaving for Manila. The programme, it will be seen, is one of the best ever presented to a Hongkong audience. It opens with the Kreutzer Sonata (Beethoven), from which nothing will be excused, and Mr. Musin will play Wieniawski's 'Sourvenir de Moscou' and Paganini's 'Bravura Variations on a theme by Rossini' (on one string). Two popular items in the second part will be the Intermezzo from Mascagni's 'Cavalleria Rusticana' and Bach-Gounod's 'Ave Maria' for Soprano, Violin, Reed and Piano, Mr. W. Robinson playing the Reed Organ.

PLAGUE CASE AT SINGAPORE.

AN IMPORTATION FROM
(Special Correspondent.)
Singapore, Thursday, March 5, 3.30 p.m.

A case of plague is reported by our authorities as Indo-China steamer *Wing-sang*. [The *Wing-sang*, (Capt. Yung), sailed from Hongkong for Singapore and Calcutta on the 26th February. The passengers reported to have left by the steamer were: For Singapore—Mrs. Chan and two servants; for Calcutta—Mrs. Head. It is probable that the case of plague has developed amongst the members of the Chinese crew. —Ed., O.M.]

WRECK OF A BRITISH STEAMER ON THE PASCADORES.

A telegram was received to-day from Amoy by Mr. W. Maclean, of the Straits Insurance Company, Limited, stating that the British steamer *Humber* had run ashore at Sand Island, in the Pascadores. She is supposed to have been on a voyage from Japan to Hongkong with coal. A Japanese steamer has gone to her assistance.

THE LOSS OF THE LYNNWOOD.

A Marine Court was held at the Harbour Master's Office to-day to inquire into the loss of the British barque *Lynnwood* on the 15th February on the Pratas Reef. The Court was constituted as follows:—Commander R. Murray Rumsey, R.N., President; Commander Annot Henderson, R.N., H.M.S. *Immortalite*; Captain Thomas Ryder Galworthy, R.N.; Sui Sang; Captain James Williamson, R.N.; Chow Pa; Captain James Dornay, Highland Forest.

John A. B. Ross said he had been for seven years master of the British barque *Lynnwood*. On the 10th February they left Shanghai for Manila. On the 11th they had an E.N.E. wind when off the Saddle. At night the wind increased, and the following night it was blowing hard with rain. No land or lights were to be seen, and as he did not think it safe to leave the boat, they were then entering the Pratas Straits. On the night of the 14th they were holed. The weather was thick, and it was blowing fresh from N.E. and E.N.E. He was keeping watch and watch with the mate. They were going about eight knots. About 10.0 on the night of the 15th he observed a white streak in the water right ahead. He ordered the watch look to wear the ship. As far as he could remember, the ship then fell off to about S.W., and struck Pratas Reef. They endeavoured to get her off, but this was done for further on. At six in the morning the ship's condition was such that he did not think she could last long. There was about three feet of water in the hold. At 10 a.m. two boats were launched. They first landed on an island where some preparations were made, and then started for Hongkong. On the second day one of the boats was abandoned, and he took all the hands into the long boat. The third day out they were rescued by the Russian man-of-war *Vladimir Monach*, about 60 miles from Hongkong. They were taken on board, and their boat was towed close into Cap Rock where they again embarked. They lay there till morning, and were picked up by the German steamer *Comandor*. The hearing by command was taken at Shanghai, and no deviation was found. He had not been on a voyage from Shanghai to Manila before. He set his course S.E. on the 15th and judged it would take him at least 40 miles eastward of the Pratas Reef. Nothing was sighted on the 15th, and no observations were taken. The ship was wrecked by dead reckoning. The lead was used on the 15th, and during the time they lay to, he could not say why the mate's log and other books were not saved except that in the confusion and hurry they were overlooked. They saved the chronometer and official log, with the ship's register and papers.

THE FINDING.

The finding of the Court was as follows:—Having carefully considered the evidence of the master and the first mate, the Court is of opinion that the ship was navigated in a proper and seaworthy manner, though it would seem that if an additional compass had been placed on deck as a standard it might have assisted towards the more efficient navigation of the ship. The cause of the disaster ran in the S.W. course was not unduly influenced by the ship's over-estimated position. The ship was not under-estimated, and the course was altered to the S.E., but the patrol log was carefully used and due allowance appears to have been made for the current drift and heave of the sea. No observations of the run nor stars of position during the voyage, and the position of the ship depending on the dead reckoning only. After the cause of everything was done that proper seamanship suggested and the ship does not appear to have been prematurely abandoned. Under the circumstances the Court sees no reason to deal with the certificates of the Captain and the first mate.

LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY. THE CENTENARY MEETING.

The following are the speeches which were reported to hold over from last night's report of the meeting in the City Hall:—

Mr. Whitting, one of the Hon. Secretaries of the Committee, presiding at the meeting, said:—It has been arranged that at this point of the meeting a brief statement concerning the history of Christian missions in Hongkong shall be placed before you. That history is altogether different from that of many—perhaps of most—missions, that you will find to appreciate the work done clearly understood. While, for instance, in India, in Polynesia, in Madagascar, and South Africa alike, the first Christian missionaries found a race long in possession of the soil; the first had to deal with a shifting and variable population, of recent importation, of differing languages, and of a (large extent) nomadic occupation, and possessing few of those characteristics of a long-established community which in our age and country have been found to facilitate the introduction of Christianity. They had to deal with men drawn from commercial and industrial considerations from their homes in the towns and villages of south-east China; men who were interested in those homes, and who were interested to return to them. Such people, when they have been brought to the Christian faith, are not likely to be so ready to leave their homes as the missionaries of the West. They have had to deal with men drawn from commercial and industrial considerations from their homes in the towns and villages of south-east China; men who were interested in those homes, and who were interested to return to them. Such people, when they have been brought to the Christian faith, are not likely to be so ready to leave their homes as the missionaries of the West.

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quence and teaching, the work of forty years seemed to have disappeared in one single trouble. Now, in estimating the work done by the Christian missions we have to take into account that great force of conservatism. If we have to do with the missionary in his work. When you consider the conservatism of the people among whom he has to labour, you ought to be patient in your judgment. It is not only in the education of children but in various other forms of educational work that the missionary has to contend. He is employed in training hospital nurses, in teaching medical students, and when we come to consider the Anglo-Chinese literary work that has been done, and how Christian missionaries have laid the foundations of the Chinese education, the task of Dr. Legge's translation of the Chinese classics as one example of the grinding work, the hard grinding work that has been done by missionaries themselves, then, ladies and gentlemen, all classes of the community must acknowledge their indebtedness to the missionaries. I come now to the second branch of missionary work, that which we may call the philanthropic. I feel almost like passing the over without a word of comment, for the simple reason that this work is known to almost every one in the Colony. I have already referred to the work done in the Alice Memorial Hospital. We have already referred to the work done in the Alice Memorial Hospital. We have already referred to the work done in the Alice Memorial Hospital.

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Christian religion, but they lie rotting on the shelves covered with dust, devoured by worms, the very names of their authors almost lost in oblivion. Tens of thousands of foes have arisen but they have fallen and perished, each in his turn repeating the words of a dying Roman Emperor, 'O Gallienus, thou hast conquered.' Yes! He will conquer, and all opposition shall be fruitless. Thus, then, ladies and gentlemen, we ask you to join with us to-day in expressing your appreciation of both that work done and the object in view, and ask you to join with the missionary in the great glad song, 'Ring out the darkness of the land, Ring in the Christ that is to be.' (Loud applause.)

Commander R. H. L. Risk said:—With regard to the resolution which you have just heard proposed by the Rev. G. J. Williams, I believe (if it be carried) it will effect two things. First, such an expression of appreciation and approval will cheer the hearts and strengthen the hands of those engaged in mission work in Hongkong, and that it will cause some at least who have hitherto been careless and indifferent to Christian mission work to enquire for themselves into the facts as regards such work, its aims, and the motive which actuates the workers. If such enquiries are made with a free and unbiased mind one of the joys of this meeting will be attained, the permanent interest in mission work will, I believe, result in the hearts of those who are present. For these reasons I beg to second this resolution.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

OPENING OF THE NEW CLUBHOUSE. Yesterday afternoon the new Clubhouse of the Hongkong Golf Club was opened at the Happy Valley. The new building was designed by Mr. E. A. Ram, and is a substantial and at the same time an ornamental structure, conveniently situated at the Morrison Hill approach to the Valley. Unfortunately, the weather was wet and disagreeably cold keeping away many who would otherwise have been present. In spite of this, however, there was a fairly large attendance. Commodore Byrnes, for whose speech opening the new Clubhouse, we are indebted to our morning contemporary, said:—Ladies and gentlemen, there is not here such a numerous assemblage as we hoped to have seen and welcomed, and we are very sorry that His Excellency the Governor and the many friends who were invited have been unable to be present on account of the weather; but the presence of those here to-day is very satisfactory to the Club and shows that a considerable interest is taken in the game of golf by the people of Hongkong. The formation of this Club does not date very far back, but an extract from the records I have here may be interesting. The earliest record in the Club minutes is that on the 8th May, 1893, and is as follows:—(I have omitted to certain master minds in Hongkong that the time had now arrived when the outdoor pursuits of the colony should be supplemented by that Royal and Ancient game, which has in Scotland for centuries been the sport of prince and peasant, and which has now reached its station in Hongkong in every respect, the following notice was on May 8th, 1893, inserted in the local papers:—'Gentlemen interested in the Royal and Ancient game of golf are requested to attend a meeting to be held in the Hongkong Club on Friday, 10th May, at 5 p.m., to consider the question of starting a golf club in Hongkong or Kowloon.' This record is very interesting indeed, as no doubt many people, considering the game was very little known in fact, it was not known at all in the colony—thought that the gentlemen calling for their services (I am sorry to say) on the 10th May, soon after this notice was sent out, the Club was formed by thirteen members, of whom Captain Rumsey, the first captain, Mr. Dalrymple, and Mr. Gershom Stewart are still with us. (Applause.) The first idea was to play on the military grounds at Kowloon, but this idea was given up, and permission to play on the Happy Valley was granted by the Government on September 20th, 1893, and Captain Rumsey was appointed the first captain. In May, 1891, the membership had increased to nearly a hundred, and the old meeting was found to be quite insufficient for the needs of the members. A meeting was held, and it was decided to approach his Excellency the Governor with a view of a lease being granted so that we could build a Club house. His Excellency, who is always ready to assist in any matter relating to the welfare of the community, kindly assented to our wishes, the result being that a lease was granted to us of the site of the building, and the erection of the house. The Club is indebted to Mr. E. A. Ram (applause)—who kindly gave us his gratuitous services. The Club not only had the advantage of having a skilful architect, but also an architect who is a golfer. He knew exactly what the requirements were, and here you have a skilful architect building, well ventilated, and at the same time strong enough to stand typhoons. (Applause.) In the summer we shall find it delightfully cool, and it will keep off the glare of the sun. The popularity of the game has much increased of late, and many who have not noticed it at about 100 years ago, their attention has been attracted to it to begin to learn the game, and no matter how badly a man plays he will always find someone who plays worse. (Laughter.) It was felt last year, and the subject was discussed by members, that the dress of members was not very much improved. Their personal appearance was not particularly good—(laughter)—their flannels got yellow if they were washed, and if they were not they got another colour. (Laughter.) One day a member appeared on the ground with a red coat on, and his example has been freely followed, and I hope members will continue to wear the red jacket. Another question which has come before the Committee a lot of trouble in the question of ladies golfing. The Committee, owing to the crowded state of the ground, have been obliged to place certain restrictions on golfing for ladies, but at the same time we are only glad to see ladies here. The result of our discussion has been that a competition was arranged for this afternoon, and I am glad to say that, notwithstanding the bad weather, most of the eleven ladies in the competition have put in an appearance. (Applause.)

The Club flag was unfurled by Mrs. Rumsey, and the party were entertained to lunch. After lunch the ladies' competition took place. The following details of Wednesday's competitions have been sent us:—

THE CLAYPATE'S PAIR. Notwithstanding the early hour fixed for this competition a very fair number of players started. No doubt if the weather had been even moderately fine many more would have completed. Mr. G. Stewart's 40 was a very creditable performance and he is to be congratulated on winning the hand.

THE LADIES' COMPETITION. Out of eleven entries for this competition, six ladies made up their minds to face the elements, and they displayed considerable praise for the way they played in spite of the state of the ground and the weather. The result was a win for Madam O'Gorman after a tie with Miss Gordon, these two ladies having turned out in the rain a second time and play two holes to decide the tie. The ladies were partnered each with a gentleman, and it was considered that the difficulties of the race course and ditches would be too much for the strength of the gentler sex. A 9 hole round was played and the scores considering all things were not so bad. The very handsome prize won by Madam O'Gorman was presented by Mr. G. Stewart, who very appropriately, helped her to win it. The other two prizes were presented by the Golf Club.

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SUPREME COURT. IN BANKRUPTCY. (Before His Hon. W. M. Goodman, Acting Chief Justice.) Thursday, March 6. RE EDWARD FRANK BIRCHALL. Ex parte THE DEBTOR. This matter came before His Lordship today, and there being no creditors present to put any further questions to the debtor relating to his affairs, his public examination was closed.

The debtor then asked the Court to appoint a day for hearing his application for his discharge, and His Lordship appointed Thursday, the 26th instant, at noon.

CORRESPONDENCE. BUILDING MATERIAL FROM PLAGUE INFECTED HOUSES. To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.' Hongkong, March 4. Sir,—During the epidemic of plague in 1894/5, a block of houses at the corner of Staunton and Aberdeen Streets, and in front of the Japanese Consulate and Alveston Terrace was closed, and all the tenants were removed owing to the many cases of plague that occurred there. These houses, which were owned by the late Mr. George A. Lane, (the buildings the latter was also closed, but have since been re-occupied as they were bought by the Land Investment Company), but were afterwards demolished, whether at the instance of the Government or owners I am unable to say, and new houses are in course of erection on the ground. The earth is being dug up to a depth of six feet or more for foundations. The basements are being built of red bricks, but it may be as well to say that the houses formerly infected with plague.

In view of the recent reports concerning, would it not be right for Government to interfere and prevent the above work being persisted in? I see the sale of material from houses in Tank Lane has been cancelled, and must say that the above case, and not actually much more dangerous, is certainly so, and should be enquired into without delay. The opening of the earth within the area is in itself a distinct danger to the health of the surrounding tenants.

Trusting that this may be taken up by those responsible for the health of the Colony, I am, Sir, Yours, [Signature]

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It is based on the experience of a celebrated American Fowler whose system proved so deadly at Block House Island, in the estuary of the Yangtze, during 1895, the bag for 100 birds being 350 ducks, 42 geese, 18 swan, total 424 birds. If the birds given with so much minuteness are put into practice by local sportsmen visiting the estuary of the West River, near Macao, there is little doubt the result would amply repay any little trouble and expense which would be out of all proportion to the satisfaction of successfully circumventing the most wary of the feathered tribe. At page 113 we find the following sentence, 'Let the enthusiastic fowler find out how to get near them.' To solve this problem all he has to do is to study carefully 'With Boar and Gun' in the 'Yangtze Valley.'

The monthly magazines issued by Messrs Cassell and Company are full of wholesome reading. This interesting miscellany, *The Saturday Journal*, comprises a large number of articles especially suited to the popular taste. The serial story, 'An Angel in Black' is concluded with this number. 'Homeless in London for 60 Days' relates an unprofessional vagabond's adventures in the great city. For good Sunday reading, *The Quaker* still retains its reputation. The *Perils of Missionary Pioneers* will be of local interest, and have therefore been included in the *Yangtze Valley*.

The Far East is the title of the English edition of *The Kokum-no-Tomo*, the latest of the Japanese weeklies, and the new magazine, which will be published monthly, bids fair to establish a national life in no way less brilliant than that of its vernacular foster-father. It proposes to discuss politics, industry, commerce, military and naval affairs, religion, science, literature and art, with the object of showing the past history, present condition and future prospects of the Japanese national life. The enumeration of such a comprehensive programme is in itself evidence of the extraordinary strides that are being taken by the educated section of the Japanese nation. We are unable to do more than generalize in our remarks upon the merits of the new magazine, and have therefore to content ourselves with a warm commendation of the venture, complimenting the Editor upon the worth of the first issue and on having gathered round him such a galaxy of able and brilliant native writers, and expressing the hope that

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER BRINDISI.

FROM BOMBAY & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns. Consignees at Kowloon, whose cargo consignment will be sorted out, Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—
From Madras ex S.S. *Sura*.
Goods not cleared by the 11th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the Underwriter, on or before the 13th Instant, after which no Claims will be recognised.

A. WOOLLEY,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 495

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Kronprinz*, Captain Th. Wöner, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersigning by the Underwriter, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Monday, the 2nd March, at Noon.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharves & Godowns Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have been landed, and all Goods remaining undischarged after the 7th March will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th March, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 29, 1896. 471

STEAMSHIP SALAZIE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex S.S. *Laurel* and *Sidon*, and from Bordeaux ex S.S. *Antilles*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharves & Godowns Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 4 p.m. To-day (Saturday), the 29th Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.

Goods remaining undischarged after Saturday, the 7th March, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Saturday, the 7th March, or they will not be recognised.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on Friday, the 6th March, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

O. TOURNAIRE,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, February 29, 1896. 458

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship *Spondilus* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns in Warehouse delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have been landed, and all Claims must be sent to the office of the Underwriter before Noon on the 8th Inst. or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, the 4th Instant.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 10th March will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 2, 1896. 479

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Chitrag* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 6th Inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 487

FOR SALE.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's List includes the following Works by Dr. BIEL:

EUROPE IN CHINA: The History of Hongkong from the beginning to the year 1832. Hongkong, 1830. \$6.50.

HANDBOOK OF BUDDHISM: A Sanskrit-Chinese Dictionary. Second Edition. Hongkong, 1883. \$2.00.

THREE LECTURES ON BUDDHISM. Third Edition. Hongkong, 1884. \$1.50.

FENGSHUI: Rudiments of Chinese Natural Science. Hongkong, 1878. \$9.00.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CAN-TON DIALECT. Four Volumes, with Appendix. Hongkong, 1877. \$10.00.

CHINESE GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIC. II. The Thousand World Poem. \$0.50 per set. Hongkong, August 9, 1895. 1478

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Calling at NAPLES for landing Passengers if sufficient inducement offers.)

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, OCEANOGRAPHY, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)

The Steamship *Cornelia*, Capt. H. FOMMERS, will be despatched for the above Ports on the 6th March, at 4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 257

OHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR POOCHOW.

The Steamship *Ching*, Capt. HARRIS, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 6th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 486

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Paoting*, Captain GREEN, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 7th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 490

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Peiyang*, Captain TH. LEHMANN, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 7th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 497

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship *Carnarvonshire*, Capt. E. SINCOCK, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 7th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 29, 1896. 470

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, (UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT AND ADRIATIC PORTS.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Maria Teresa*, Captain V. GRENZMANN, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 7th March.

Cargo will not be received on board after 3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 29, 1896. 473

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Europa*, Captain HANNAH, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 14th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1896. 439

THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

OHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.)

CHITTAGONG.....[3] Saturday.....[14] March.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

The Steamship *Chitrag* will be despatched hence for HONOLULU, VICTORIA, B.O. and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 14th March.

Consular Invoice of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1896. 441

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(Following the S.S. *Falcons* Hall.)

The Steamship *Queen Olga*, Captain HARRIS, will be despatched for the above Port on or about 15th March.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 25, 1896. 449

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, MARSEILLES, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, OCEANOGRAPHY, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)

The Steamship *Senta*, Capt. T. Voss, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 14th Instant.

For Freight, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 4, 1896. 498

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

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This well-known steamer is especially fitted for Passengers and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Meat, Ice, etc. throughout the voyage. A duly-qualified Surgeon is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 494

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.T. British Ship *Brookfield Castle*, Ferguson, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 5, 1895. 2277

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 A.T. British Ship *Queen Elizabeth*, Fulmer, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 18, 1896. 388

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The American Barque *NOYES*, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1896. 499

MAILS.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.)

Strathleven.....[3,554] Tuesday [Mar. 10.]

Tacoma.....[2,649] Tuesday [April 7.]

Victoria.....[3,167] Tuesday [May 6.]

THE S.S. *STRATHLEVEN*, Captain O'Connell, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 10th March, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), via SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 5, 1896. 323

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.)

JAVA-HONGKONG-YOKOHAMA-KOBE-AMOE-HONGKONG-SINGAPORE-JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG TO JAPAN.

S.S. *Germania*.....March.

S.S. *Costus*.....April.

S.S. *Federatia*.....May.

TO JAPAN.

S.S. *Federatia*.....April.

S.S. *Germania*.....May.

S.S. *Costus*.....June.

General Agents for China & Japan: LAUTS, WEGENER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 23, 1896. 432

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

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THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....Friday, March 6, at daylight.

Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....Saturday, Mar. 21, at noon.

Belge (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....Wednesday, April 8, at noon.

THE Steamship *COPTIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA, TO-MORROW, the 6th March, at Daylight, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, March 5, 1896. 281

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....Thursday, Mar. 12, at noon.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....Tuesday, Mar. 31, at noon.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....Thursday, April 16, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA AND YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 12th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight to Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER & RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER & RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-shipment to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, and to Hawaii, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcels will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, February 24, 1896. 433

Mails.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *MIRZAPUR*, Capt. J. R. LINDON, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 12th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. (This Steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. *PENINSULAR*, leaving that port on the 4th APRIL, for LONDON Direct.)

Suez and Yaffa, and other ports, will be despatched at London (under arrangement) and to London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, February 29, 1896. 460

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Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Closing Quotations.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	125	all	174 1/2 prem., = \$342.50
New Issue.				£41.10
Bank of China (Japan) Limited	39,950	5	5	nom.
preference shares				
ordinary	39,950	5	5	nom.
deferred	1,250	1	1	122 buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	100,000	10	10	8.10/8.27, sellers
MARINE INSURANCE.				
Canton Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	250	all	\$196, sales
China Trade Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	83.33	all	\$270, buyers
North China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	100	all	\$12,224, buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	100	all	\$227, buyers
Union Insurance Society Co., Ltd.	10,000	250	all	\$220, sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	100	all	\$124, buyers
FIRE INSURANCE.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	100	all	\$200, sales and buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	100	all	\$200, buyers
Wholesale and Retail.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	12,500	125	all	165 % prem. = \$317.50, sales and buyers
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	5,000	50	all	\$70, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	50	all	\$514, buyers
H.K. & M. Steamship Co., Ltd.	80,000	15	all	\$52, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	20,000	10	all	\$65, sales
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	10	all	\$7.10, \$7.10
Do. (new issue)	20,000	10	all	\$7.10
REFINING.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	100	all	\$120, sales
Union Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	50	all	\$60
WHARVES.				
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	50	all	\$48, sellers
Wanchai Wharves and Storage Company, Limited	2,600	100	all	\$73, sellers
RAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	100	all	\$743, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	50	all	\$30,6
Hongkong Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	25,400	10	all	\$84, sales and buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	50	all	\$184, sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	100	all	\$87, sales
MINEING.				
Jelabu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	45,000	5	all	\$3, sellers
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	4	all	\$80, buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	12,000	600	all	\$72
NEW BISMAL GOLD MINE CO., Ltd.	50,000	5	all	\$13, sales
Bamb Aurol Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	1	1	\$4.30, sellers
PLANTING, ETC.				
China-Borneo Company, Ltd.	7,000	100	all	\$5, sellers
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited	6,000	50	all	\$23, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	6,000	50	all	\$12, sales and buyers
Dakin, Crutcher & Co., Ltd.	50,000	50	all	\$1
MORTGAGE.				
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	10	all	\$100, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	10	all	\$7, sales
BRICKS AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	20,000	10	all	\$14, buyers
AGRICULTURE.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,000	1	all	\$10
Champion, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	10	all	\$5, buyers
Geo. Fawcett & Co., Limited	6,000	50	all	\$23, buyers
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.	0,000	10	all	\$3
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	0,000	25	all	\$100, sellers
H'kong Rope Manufacturers	13,000	50	all	\$200, sellers
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Parcels must be posted in Hongkong before 3 p.m. on the day before the departure of the Mail. These arriving from the Coast, &c., after this hour are kept for the following P. O. Mail.

The Postage is 40 cents per lb., and 20 cents each succeeding lb. or fraction of a lb., which includes Registration fee, and must be prepaid in stamps. No further charges are made in the United Kingdom except for Customs dues. No parcel must be more than 3 feet 6 inches in length, or 6 feet in greatest length and girth combined. A receipt is given for each Parcel.

The sender must fill up a form of Customs Declaration, which can be obtained free at each Post Office. No parcel can be accepted till this is completely and accurately filled. The only articles ordinarily sent from China which are liable to duty are Tea and Tobacco.

Dangerous or perishable goods, articles likely to injure the Mail, Liquids (unless securely packed) or parcels easily crushed, such as hand-boxes, are prohibited. No Parcel can be received if its value exceeds \$500. A Parcel may contain a letter to the same address as that of the Parcel itself, or another Parcel to the same address. No other enclosures are allowed.

With regard to inward Parcels, addresses are requested to observe that the Parcel Mail is not opened until the ordinary distribution of letters, &c., is finished. The postage on Parcels at home is 10d. per lb., the Regulations are generally similar to the above, and the Parcels are sent out via Gibraltar.

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2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, and within a year at the latest from the date of Posting.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for more damage to fragile articles such as portraits, when, hand-painted, bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition. Nor on account of alleged losses of the Contents of Registered covers which have reached their destinations. Nor on account of any article for which the addressee has signed a receipt.

When correspondence has been mislaid or delayed (both of which might happen occasionally) all that the addressee is entitled to is a note on the cover, dated, or received at 7 p.m., or as the case may be, and forwarded to the Postmaster, or other writing whatever, to the Postmaster the first time cause of complaint occurs; it is a mistake to let such matters pass for fear of giving trouble, a course which generally gives more trouble in the end.

1. Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, Patterns, Bills, Almanacs, &c., for addresses in Hongkong or the Ports of China, in batches of not less than ten of uniform size and weight, may be sent to the Post Office unsealed, the postage, at the rate of one cent each, being paid in cash or charged to the sender's account. Special accounts may be opened with non-box-holders for the delivery of considerable numbers of such articles.

2. Such covers, when addressed to places other than Hongkong or China, must be prepaid two cents each in stamps as heretofore.

3. Circulars, &c., must not exceed 2 ounces each in weight. Patterns, Almanacs, &c., must be under 4 ounces each in weight. Heavier articles will be charged ordinary rates.

4. Envelopes containing Patterns, &c., may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed circulars may be enclosed in pattern packets.

5. Addresses must be complete. That is to say, on such covers as are not addressed to heads of houses the addresser's residence or place of business must be added. Incomplete addresses covered will be returned to the sender for address.

Money Orders.

(Office Hours (Sundays and holidays excepted) 10 to 4, Saturdays 10 to 1, but the office is open from 10 to 5 on the working day next before any mail for Europe, which leaves at noon.)

(Money orders cannot be issued or cashed on mail mornings, when closing mails for Europe, until noon.)

1.—Money Orders are issued at Hongkong and Shanghai at current rates of exchange on the following Countries and places:—

Canada.
China (Peking, Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Hongkong, Ningbo, Hankow, and Shanghai).
Ceylon.
Hawaii (Sandwich Islands).
British India (including Burma and the Agencies of the Indian Post Office in the Punjab, Gwalior, and Malabar).

Japan (Yokohama and Hakodate).
New South Wales.
New Zealand.
British North Borneo.
Queensland.
Siam (Bangkok only).
South Australia.
Straits Settlements (Singapore, Penang and Malacca).
Tasmania.
United Kingdom.
Victoria.
United States of America.

2.—Orders are drawn through London Office.

Austria-Hungary.
Belgium.
Bulgaria.
Canton.
Denmark (including Iceland and Faroe Islands).
Egypt.
France, with Algeria.
German Empire (including Heligoland and the Canaries).

Holland.
Italy (with Agencies at Tripoli, Anas and Massorah).
Norway.
Orange Free State.
Portugal (including Madeira and the Azores).
Rumania.
Sweden.
Switzerland.
Tasmania.
Tunis.

Foreign Cities and Towns:—
Constantinople.
Salonica.
Smyrna.
Aden.
Tangier.

British Colonies:—
Ceylon.
Fiji Islands.
Gibraltar.
Malta.
Bahamas.
Barbados.
Bermuda.
British Guiana.
British Honduras.
Cape Colony.
Grenada.
Jamaica.
Montserrat.
Nepal.
St. Kitts.
St. Lucia.
St. Vincent.
Seychelles.
Sierra Leone.
Tobago.
Trinidad.
Turks Islands.

2.—Orders on the Countries drawn through the London Post Office are paid less the following discount for which the remitter should allow. All such Orders must be expressed in British currency:—

For sums not exceeding \$2, 2%.
"Exceeding \$2 but not exceeding \$5, 2 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$5 but not exceeding \$10, 3%.
"Exceeding \$10 but not exceeding \$20, 3 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$20 but not exceeding \$50, 4%.
"Exceeding \$50 but not exceeding \$100, 4 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$100 but not exceeding \$200, 5%.
"Exceeding \$200 but not exceeding \$500, 5 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$500 but not exceeding \$1,000, 6%.
"Exceeding \$1,000 but not exceeding \$2,000, 6 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$2,000 but not exceeding \$5,000, 7%.
"Exceeding \$5,000 but not exceeding \$10,000, 7 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$10,000 but not exceeding \$20,000, 8%.
"Exceeding \$20,000 but not exceeding \$50,000, 8 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$50,000 but not exceeding \$100,000, 9%.
"Exceeding \$100,000 but not exceeding \$200,000, 9 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$200,000 but not exceeding \$500,000, 10%.
"Exceeding \$500,000 but not exceeding \$1,000,000, 10 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$1,000,000 but not exceeding \$2,000,000, 11%.
"Exceeding \$2,000,000 but not exceeding \$5,000,000, 11 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$5,000,000 but not exceeding \$10,000,000, 12%.

3.—The commission charged is as follows (according to the current rate of exchange):—
(a) For sums not exceeding \$1, 12 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$1 but not exceeding \$5, 12%.
"Exceeding \$5 but not exceeding \$10, 11 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$10 but not exceeding \$20, 11%.
"Exceeding \$20 but not exceeding \$50, 10 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$50 but not exceeding \$100, 10%.
"Exceeding \$100 but not exceeding \$200, 9 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$200 but not exceeding \$500, 9%.
"Exceeding \$500 but not exceeding \$1,000, 8 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$1,000 but not exceeding \$2,000, 8%.
"Exceeding \$2,000 but not exceeding \$5,000, 7 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$5,000 but not exceeding \$10,000, 7%.
"Exceeding \$10,000 but not exceeding \$20,000, 6 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$20,000 but not exceeding \$50,000, 6%.
"Exceeding \$50,000 but not exceeding \$100,000, 5 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$100,000 but not exceeding \$200,000, 5%.
"Exceeding \$200,000 but not exceeding \$500,000, 4 1/2%.
"Exceeding \$500,000 but not exceeding \$1,000,000, 4%.

4.—No Order must exceed \$10 or \$50 (unless drawn on India, when \$500 is the limit).

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, February 29, 1896.

At 1020 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

English, Lowest, Chinese Names.

Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, . . . lb.	—	—	來路
" Ame. Sugar cured, . .	380	—	花加
" Foochow, . . . "	180	—	福州
" Japan, cured . . . "	180	—	日本
Beef sirloin & prime cut, catty	130	120	尾牛
" Corned, . . . catty	140	—	鹹牛
" Roast, . . . "	140	—	燒牛
" Soup, . . . "	100	—	湯牛
" Steak, . . . "	140	—	肉牛
Bullock's Brains, . . . per set	60	50	牛腦
" Tongue fresh, each	250	—	牛舌
" " corned, each	350	—	鹹牛
" Head, . . . "	500	—	牛頭
" Heart, . . . "	150	—	牛心
" Hump, Salt catty	140	—	牛尾
" Foot, . . . each	60	50	牛蹄
" " " "	—	—	牛蹄
" Tail, . . . "	110	—	牛尾
" Liver, . . . catty	70	—	牛肝
" Tripe (unpressed) catty	60	50	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet, set	500	—	牛頭
Hams, American, . lb.	380	—	花
" Chinese, . . . "	350	—	金
" English, Now, . . . "	440	—	來
" Japan cured, . . . "	250	—	日
" Shanghai, . . . "	180	—	上
Mutton Chop, . . . "	150	—	手
" Leg, . . . "	130	—	羊
" Shoulder, . . . "	120	—	羊
Pigs' Chittlings, . . catty	70	60	猪
" Feet, . . . "	120	—	猪
" Fry, . . . "	150	—	猪
" Head, . . . each	500	450	猪
" Heart, . . . "	50	40	猪
" Kidneys, . . . pair	80	70	猪
" Liver, . . . lb.	150	—	猪
Pork, Chop, . . . catty	160	—	豬
" Corned, . . . "	—	—	鹹
" Leg, . . . "	160	150	豬
" Fat or Lard, . . . "	140	—	豬
Sheeps' Head and Feet, set	400	—	羊
" Heart, . . . each	50	40	羊
" Kidneys, . . . "	80	—	羊
" Liver, . . . lb.	150	140	羊
Sucking Pigs, . . . each	\$1.75	\$1.25	猪
Suet, Boof, . . . lb.	120	—	生
" Mutton, . . . "	120	—	生
" " " catty	130	—	生